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Gristmill Editors Attend Workshops At Ohio University

Peggy Printz, Andy Kochman, Ken Jones, and Jeanne Lowery were the four representatives from the *Gristmill* to attend the high school newspaper and yearbook seminar at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio.

During the first week of July these four *Gristmill* editors attended classes on a very informal basis in the mornings and afternoons. This simulated school was conducted by professors and guest yearbook advisers from other areas.

George Starr, the *Gristmill* adviser, taught one of the numerous seminars that were attended by a total of over 1,000 high school students.

Besides the extensive classes in the many phases of newspaper and yearbook preparation, the students were treated to several mixers and social gatherings to meet other students from other high schools and compare notes.

Dormitory Living

For the five days that they were there the editors stayed in the college dormitories and got a real taste of the campus life of one of the state colleges of Ohio.

Attendance at this seminar is traditional for the *Gristmill* staff members and gives them different approaches to the problem of the production of their own yearbook.

Though the areas of study range over many facets of yearbook preparation and production, they remain very general and give basic information from which to build.

The editors from the *Gristmill* felt that the meetings at which they heard such distinguished speakers as Harry Golden, were both informative and entertaining.

Shaker's six majorettes (from left to right) Ruth Chitlik, Diana Pilisdorf, Gaye Cooley, Margy Cavan, Rozanne Gaines, and captain JoAnna Comella take a breather from their practice session just long enough to give their batons a rest.

Students Practice Long Hours For Coming Football Season

Summer vacation meant a great deal of work for the majorettes and cheerleaders who have been practicing routines and cheers for the upcoming football season.

Since the beginning of vacation, the majorettes have met at school three nights a week for an hour and a half. The girls practiced marching and took lessons from Marlene Gibson. She taught them several new routines, using such things as flags, lariats, and umbrellas.

Along with the new routines, the majorettes have acquired new uniforms: white A-line skirts and red blouses.

New Drum Major

Working with the majorettes is the new drum major Don Ladanyi. He and head majorette Jo Anna Comella have perfected a fire-twirling routine, which will replace the traditional high toss.

The other majorettes for this year are assistant head majorette Mary Reid, Gaye Cooley, Barbara Coan, Rozanne Gaines, Ruth Chitlik, Diana Pilisdorf, and Margy Cavan.

During July the cheerleaders met at school four nights a week for an hour and a half. They spent this time learning new cheers and perfecting old ones. The girls now know about 30 cheers and 15 chants, which they feel will be enough for any football game.

The band has also been working this summer. It met one night a week during August to practice precision marching and learn new numbers.

Improved Activity Fee Card Presents More to Students

The activity ticket has undergone a few changes this year so that it will appeal to a greater number of Shakerites. The price of the ticket will still be $5.50, but the apportionment of the money is different.

The greatest change in the ticket is the use of the seven football tickets, which are a major part of it. Before these tickets were only good for football games. Since many people could get into the games free, they saw no reason to buy an activity ticket. This year the tickets will also be good for home wrestling and swimming meets.

Tickets Less

There are, of course, some limitations on the use of football tickets for wrestling and swimming meets. The number of students who will be able to watch swimming meets must be limited because of the small space for spectators. Tickets will only be valid while there is enough room.

Last year, $2.80 of the activity ticket was for the football tickets. Now, the seven tickets cost only $2.60, which is less than the regular $.40 a ticket.

The $.20 left over from the football tickets will go to *The Shakerite*. In past years *The Shakerite* received most of its money from the tax stamps. Since tax stamps are no longer valid in Ohio, *The Shakerite* needs another source of income.

The remainder of the activity ticket will be the same. Student Council will receive $.25, class dues will be $.50, girls' athletics will get $.10, and the assembly fund will receive $.05.

Purchase Necessary

The ticket was revised primarily to get the interest of more students. For this reason the ticket as a whole is what the student should consider, not just the part that appeals to him as an individual.

It is very important that each student buy an activity ticket. The ticket is the only means by which the student can support his class, *The Shakerite*, the Student Council, and his school in general.

Summer Class Lures Biology Enthusiasts

Dissecting cats and frogs does not sound very inviting to many people, but the students who participated in Jack Miller's third semester biology course were enthralled by it.

The course, which has just completed its second year, takes place during the eight-week summer school session. The class is patterned after a first year college course in zoology.

Occasional lectures and frequent labs dealing with a comparison of the cat and the frog make up the major part of the class time.

The specimens are compared through cell and bone structure, veins and arteries, and nervous systems.

For the text and reference books, **Movement of the Heart** by Harvey, **Life** by Simson, and **Principles of Modern Biology** by Marsland are used.

Student's Opinion

One student who has taken the course said, "The course was very worth-while. It was really fascinating to compare the frog and the cat."

The only requirement for the course is that the student has previously taken one year of biology.

The course is designed to benefit any student who is interested in medical or zoological career opportunities.

Seventeen New Faculty Members Join This Year's Teaching Staff

With the new school year now upon us, it is becoming more apparent to the upperclassmen that the sophomores are not the only ones partially or totally unacquainted with the faculty. The reason for this is not too difficult to discover. Both the expansion brought on by the opening of the new wing and the departure of several of last year's teachers have led to the arrival of seventeen new faculty members.

Three new names are conspicuous in the English department. These new arrivals are Mr. Robert A. Hanson, Mr. Albert B. Beal, who will teach English and speech, and Mr. John C. Barner, who will teach speech and dramatics.

The science department will be strengthened by the acquisition of Mr. Hilliard J. Dell, and Mrs. Jean H. Brattin. The mathematics department will have four new members: Mr. Fred A. Brown, Miss Jean C. Rohrbaugh, Miss Eileen M. Sauley, and Mr. Donald C. Scherer.

The French teachers will gain assistance from three new instructors: Miss Barbara A. Barclay, Mr. John W. O'Rourke Jr., and Miss Elizabeth M. Schneider. Miss Schneider is returning to Shaker after spending one year in Europe.

Administrative Changes

There will be three new social studies teachers to help offset the one-year loss of Mr. Joseph V. Szwaja, who will spend the next year studying at Yale University on a John Hay Fellowship. The new additions to the social studies staff are Mrs. Jeanette P. Eckman, Mr. Robert L. Mohney, and Mr. Emil J. Sarpa.

The other two additions to the staff will be Mrs. Nola B. Kiser, a librarian, and Miss Marion A. Thomas who will take over the duties of social director.

There will also be some changes in duties among some members of last year's staff. Mr. Meshenberg will become the new Student Council advisor and Mr. Stoch the new sophomore boys' counselor.

Six Sabin Oral Sundays Eliminate Polio Threat

S.O.S. became a rallying cry on land this summer when the mass immunization against polio swept across Cuyahoga County.

The Sabin Oral Sundays were tremendous successes in almost every section of the county and are opening new paths in public health and welfare.

On each of six Sundays Boy Scouts, mothers, teen-agers, Red Cross administrators and nurses, and other volunteer workers gave up their time from 12 noon or earlier to 6 p.m. or later so that the threat of polio in this area would be wiped out.

The first Sabin Sunday was May 27 and was followed, as the other two were, by another Sunday one week later to issue the same type vaccine to those who did not receive the first inoculation.

On June 24 and July 1, Type III Sabin Oral Vaccine was distributed on little cubes of sugar. Type III was the second vaccine in the series. Type II, the last in the series, was administered on July 22 and July 29.

Three Shaker Centers

In Shaker Heights there were three centers: Shaker High, Lomond Elementary, and Byron Junior High School. Since people were permitted to attend any center they wished and were not restricted to their own community, it is hard to determine the actual number of Shaker residents who were inoculated.

Yet on the first S.O.S. the three Shaker centers recorded over 100% of the population of Shaker. On the succeeding Sundays the number dwindled but each Sunday was well over 95%.

Dr. Howard Hopwood, Chairman of the Polio Vaccine Committee, in co-ordination with the Academy of Medicine and other chairmen worked hard to effect this immunization and its huge success was ample reward.

Principal's Greetings

HELLO AND GREETINGS TO YOU!

I sincerely hope your vacation days have been happy ones.

We start the school year with the largest number of students and teachers ever in the Shaker Heights High School. We also start the year with many new building facilities. For these additional facilities we are grateful, and I am certain all of us will strive to use them intelligently and wisely.

My best wishes to each of you for a successful and happy year.

Russell H. Rupp
Principal

Year's Resolution

A new year should not only be welcomed for its refreshing changes and anticipated for its new experiences, but also be improved by examination and re-evaluation and marked by resolutions. We on *The Shakerite* are not exempt from this type of re-evaluation and resolution.

We honestly feel, with no malice or degradation for our predecessors, that our editorials can and should be a more powerful force in our newspaper and in our school. We also think that an accurate, sound editorial that ruffles a few feathers is far superior to one that belies its purpose and fails to convey or sway an issue at all. We maintain that participation and interest, even if it is contrary to what certain people would like it to be, is still considerably better than apathy.

Certainly in the past our editorials have been used effectively at times. However, an irregular or spotty editorial policy commands little interest or influence. The major problem thus far has been that *The Shakerite* has only employed editorials as reactions. In other words, editorials only appeared when an issue was already clearly defined or, indeed, concluded.

It is easy to see why a policy of this nature gains little importance. Students may feel that *The Shakerite* is merely iterating information that everyone knows. Students may feel, if an issue is decided or is a foregone conclusion, that *The Shakerite* is saying too little, too late. Students may feel that *The Shakerite* is commenting only because it is the appropriate thing for a school newspaper to do. Students may feel that *The Shakerite* is expressing only one side of or only one person's feelings on the argument. All these varying opinions have some basis.

However, this year we are attempting to establish a more definite and vigorous editorial policy. We hope that by commenting consistently and fairly on pertinent issues we will make the opinions expressed in these editorials more widely read and discussed. We shall try to treat all issues justly and judiciously. If our editorials criticize, we will suggest alternatives and changes that we feel necessary. Of course we welcome any responses agreeable or otherwise through printable letters to the editor.

We hope by reporting conscientiously on school matters that affect all of us we will anticipate a few troubles and cure them before they spread or even start. We hope that by praising as well as criticizing developments in turn we will encourage healthful discussion, pro and con, and eventually action.

We hope that by openly presenting an opinion we will stimulate open rebuttal. Realizing our own failings and trying to remedy them openly and fairly is far better than vicious arguing behind the scenes that settles nothing and only makes hard feelings. If our editorials become gadfly in nature, they are only that way because the situation warrants it.

The Shakerite will gladly commend any situation we feel has been remedied or improved. But we are not content to let improvements just happen. We wish to expedite them. Once again we stress the willingness with which we accept criticism or rebuttal—as long as it is public as ours is—on any editorial or treatment of any subject.

To say that *The Shakerite* is candidly discussing an issue that many would rather conveniently smother is not the same as saying that *The Shakerite* is stirring up trouble. These two statements should be carefully distinguished.

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These eight seniors (from left to right) Richie Stotter, Rick Hyde, Donny Fields, Larry Lukasik (co-captain), Bill Bright (co-captain), Paul Rothchild, Bob Gould, and Jim Smith form the nucleus of the '62 version of the Red Raider varsity football team.

Le Trou

By Dick Prentke

In The Beginning . . .

In looking over previous years' issues of the *Shakerite*, trying to find some novel way of starting off the year, I've found that sports coverage has been the same dry, uninteresting, and conforming bleariness.

But I have a PLAN. I will save interesting sports coverage from obscurity! Yes, sir!

Other changes will be evident in the forthcoming issues, but, for now, I would like to introduce you to the core of the sports page, and sports interest, the column. As can easily be seen by the headline, I have chosen a name for the column which can, at least, be called different. *Le Trou*. The Hole. Below this, in our most humble type, is the name of both your sports editor and the author of this column, and next to it there will be placed a witty, cachy, and highly pertinent title.

Also, at various times, several departments will appear. For instance, the

Round of Snaps Dept.

will appear, aclaiming lauditory displays of sportsmanship and talent.

Along with the previous will be what I believe is the most important part, the sports editorial. More vivid articles and action pictures will also be offered.

In short, I offer you a new and interesting sports page. Yeh!

First Summer Ends Very Successfully For Thornton Park

The heavily disputed Thornton Park Swimming Pool was finally opened this summer with an open house on June 10 and the official public initiation on Saturday, June 16.

For the first month the daily attendance was overwhelming. Nearly 4,000 people a day were taking advantage of the novelty and convenience of the pool. For the remainder of the summer the attendance, depending on the weather and varying on weekdays and weekends, averaged about 2,000 daily.

11,000 Members

For the first year about 2,300 family and 150 individual memberships were purchased. These amount to nearly 11,000 people or about one-third of Shaker's residents.

According to the pool administrators the memberships exceeded their expectations, but the overwhelming daily attendance was an even bigger surprise.

There are no major changes being considered for next year but there are some additions already. During the winter there will be a natural skating rink and tennis courts are near completion.

Financial Success

The pool directors closed the pool yesterday but are considering re-opening it for the first couple of weekends in September.

A representative of the Recreation Board is in charge of administering the pool and said that it has been an excellent financial success.

Also near Thornton Park are several large coasting hills which, though not a part of the Thornton organization, round out the facilities of the recently developed area.

'62 Kickoff

By Mike Liff

Weeks before this first day of school the 1962 football season began for the Shaker Red Raider football team. Starting practice in August is essential because of the lack of time between the start of school and the first scheduled game. This year the early starting time was even more important as Coach Sanna had to find replacements for the graduated seniors of last year's Lake Erie League Co-Championship team.

Last year's line was outstanding and the prospects of having an equally good line this year are dim. Much of Shaker's success this year depends on some members of last year's Junior Varsity team. Bill Gerak, Burt Weiss, Bob Forward, and Marshall Burke, who provided a strong line for the J.V.'s last year, shape up to be a potentially great line, and could very likely develop into one this year.

Larry Lukasik will be back this season and is one of the bright spots of the team. If he is provided with strong protection and good receivers Lukasik seems a likely candidate for league honors.

Ye Olde Pistol

By Dick and Howie

and Jim and Pete

These first few introductory statements are not addressed to juniors and seniors, who, from the experience they gathered last year, have accustomed themselves to turning to this column immediately upon receiving *The Shakerite*, but instead are directed to those sophomores who through ignorance or lack of discernment have allowed themselves to wander through less entertaining sections. We only wish to inform these inexperienced people that habituating oneself to reading this column first will bring the essence of pleasure. During the year, you will probably be inspired to such comments as: "That's great!", "Fantastic!", "How did they get that in?", or other pleasantries.

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The father said to the prospective son-in-law: "The boy who gets my daughter will certainly get a prize."

The prospective answered: "May I see it, please?"

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There was a young damsel named Carol,
Who liked to play stud for apparel.
Her opponents straight flush,
Brought a maidenly blush,
And a hasty trip home in a barrel.

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If every math and chemistry student were to use his slide rule at the same time, enough heat would evolve from the friction thereof to burn to a crisp all the food in the cafeteria, which would be a good thing.

Words of Wisdom:

Early to bed,
Early to rise;
And your girl
Goes out with other guys.